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In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2003 (Paper No. 11), having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 7, 2004, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.